

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the title on page 1 to read as follows:

-- ~~Assembly comprising a~~ A filter cartridge and an assembly of a filter housing and at least one such filter cartridge as well as a filter cartridge for such an assembly --

Please insert the following section headings on page 1, before the first paragraph:

-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

(1) Field of the Invention --

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, beginning "Such an assembly...." with the following replacement paragraph:

-- ~~Such an assembly is generally known.~~ With this arrangement the inlet via which medium to be filtered enters the filter chamber is oriented in the transverse direction of the filter cartridges located in the filter chamber, i.e. the direction of flow of the medium to be filtered is initially transverse to the longitudinal direction of the filter cartridges. --

Please insert the following section heading on page 1, before the paragraph beginning "To ensure rapid distribution.....":

-- (2) Description of the Related Art --

Please insert the following section heading on page 1, before the paragraph beginning "According to the invention.....":

-- BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, beginning with line 4, with the following replacement paragraph:

-- In this way it is possible to design the free space available for guiding the medium to be filtered away in the axial direction of the filter cartridge as a minimum, which again enables a reduction in the dimensions of the filter housing or, optionally, enlargement of the filter. In the case of a single cylindrical filter cartridge arranged centrally in a cylindrical filter housing, these equations become

$$A < \frac{\Pi}{4} (D_3^2 - D_2^2) \quad A < \frac{2\Pi}{4} (D_3^2 - D_2^2), \text{ in particular}$$

$$A < \frac{2\Pi}{4} (D_3^2 - D_2^2) \quad A < \frac{\Pi}{4} (D_3^2 - D_2^2)$$

where

A = surface area of inlet

$D_3$  = internal diameter of filter housing

$D_2$  = external diameter of filter cartridge, and

$D_3 - D_2 = Y$ . --

Please insert the following section heading on page 6, before line 1:

-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --

Please insert the following section heading on page 6, before line 11:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION --